

Registration Fee :

US\$ / € 100-.

US\$ / € 50-.(for students with supervisor's written endorsement)

Method of payment :

- ☐ Bank Transfer in US\$:
HSBC New York USA Account No.303976
In favour of HSBC Republic Monaco
Ref. : 677549 – IHB Swift : BLICMCMC
- ☐ Credit Card [Master Card or VISA only]
Card Holder Name :
Card Number :
Expiry Date :
- ☐ Cheque in US\$ or Euros (made payable to the IHB)

Priority will be given to pre-registered delegates.

Accompanying persons will be able to attend all social events but the organisers regret that they will not be admitted to the Conference sessions.

Receipt of Registration will be confirmed.

Signature:.....

Send completed form with payment to :

Mr. Christian Velard
Finance Officer
International Hydrographic Bureau
4 quai Antoine 1er
B.P. 445
MC 98011 Monaco Cedex
Principality of Monaco

Please also enclose a copy of the hotel booking form.

The Conference will be held at the Salle des Variétés, 1 boulevard Albert 1er, within 200 m of the International Hydrographic Bureau

Simultaneous translation will be provided in English and French.

Registration will start on Sunday 13th April from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on Monday 14th April from 8.30 to 9.30 a.m. in the Salle des Variétés.

An Accompanying Persons Programme will be arranged through local travel and tour operators.

Accommodation. Block bookings have been made at hotels shown on the attached list. Delegates are requested to make their own reservations using the Reservation Form, to be sent to the Hotel with a copy to the IHB.

Travel. Monaco is reached by plane to Nice and bus to Monaco from the Airport. Trains pass through Monaco from France and Italy.

Ships. It is expected that one or more survey ships will be in the harbour during the Conference and will be open to visitors.

Chart Exhibition. There will be an exhibition of GEBCO and related products in the Foyer of the Salle des Variétés.

Participants will receive a free copy of the "History of GEBCO" specially written for the Centenary and of the Centenary Edition of the GEBCO Digital Atlas.



CELEBRATION OF 100 YEARS OF GEBCO

General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans

Conference

“Charting the Secret World
of the Ocean Floor.
The GEBCO Project 1903-2003”

**14 – 16 April 2003
Monaco**

website: www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/gebco/gebco.html

THE “GEBCO” PROJECT

Following discussions at the 7th International Geographic Conference in Berlin, in 1899, a Commission was charged with “the preparation of a bathymetrical map of the oceans”.

It was not until April 1903, under the leadership of Professor Julien THOULET of the University of Nancy, that HSH Prince ALBERT I of Monaco offered to organize and finance the production of a series of charts to be designated “La Carte générale bathymétrique des Océans”.

The “Cabinet scientifique” of Prince ALBERT I initiated and published, in 1905, the 1st Edition, comprising 24 coloured sheets. The 2nd Edition was completed in 1930, under the supervision of the Oceanographic Museum, in conformity with wishes expressed in the will of Prince ALBERT I. The Government of Monaco then invited the International Hydrographic Bureau to take over the GEBCO Project. In 1932, the IHB commenced work on the 3rd Edition that was completed in 1955, followed by the 4th Edition in 1972.

In 1974, the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission joined the International Hydrographic Organization in this project, to bring together scientists and hydrographers, resulting in 1982 in the 5th Edition of GEBCO in 18 sheets.

The digital era brought in the GEBCO Digital Atlas (GDA), which was completed in 1994 and revised in 1997. The Centenary Edition of the GDA includes major revisions of the Arctic and Indian Oceans as well as a global gridded data base of bathymetry on a one minute grid.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

“Charting the Secret World of the Ocean Floor. The GEBCO Project 1903-2003”

Monday 14th April

0830- 0930 : Registration

1000 Opening by HSH Prince RAINIER III

1030-1700 : Sessions

- GEBCO -The Beginning and Early Years
- Oceanography joins Hydrography
- New Approaches in GEBCO
- The Interaction of Ocean Mapping with Science and Technology

1800 : Reception by the International Hydrographic Bureau

Tuesday 15th April

0930-1700 : Sessions

- Data Management and Manipulation
- Bathymetry in Law, Commerce and Fisheries
- Applications and Implications of Bathymetric Data

1800 : Reception by the Government of Monaco

Wednesday 16th April

0930 – 1230 : Session

- Ocean Mapping in the 21st Century

1230 : Closure of the Conference



PRE - REGISTRATION FORM ¹

| Title

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| First Name :.....

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| Surname :

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| Name for Badge

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| Organisation :.....

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| Address

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| Name of accompanying person.....

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| E-mail :.....

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¹ For planning purposes, it will be appreciated if you can inform the IHB of your participation before 31 January 2003 [e-mail : info@ihb.mc or fax : (377) 93 10 81 40]

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